



2020 BRYANT STILES OFFICERS SCHOOL

Green River Firefighters Association

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Owensboro Convention Center - Owensboro, KY



26. Leadership Excellence

Training today's leaders for tomorrow's challenges. This program navigates participants through tried and true methods of leadership and through different aspects of the science. We cover: developing yourself, developing your people, developing your organization, and firehouse communications. Other than lecture, role playing, and group hands-on exercises are part of this workshop. Also discussed are having a "vision" and "mission statement" and coming away with some form of plan for improvement to take back to the firehouse.

This class will only be offered on Sunday

Ron Kanterman is Owner and Founder of Gold Horn Associates, a fire and life safety consulting company. He entered the fire service in 1975 in Brooklyn, New York after working as a seasonal wild land firefighter upstate New York starting in 1971. In 1980, he was assigned to the FDNY Fire Prevention Bureau where he served as a Deputy Chief Inspector. In 1989, he took a position as the Assistant Chief of Fire Protection for a Fortune 100 pharmaceutical company in New Jersey and was promoted to Chief of Emergency Services in 1994. He was then elevated to Chief of Public Safety in 2008 managing fire, EMS, rescue and security services as well as corporate and facility crisis management programs. While living and working in New Jersey, he served under a Mayoral appointment as the Emergency Management Coordinator for the Borough of North Plainfield, as well as serving as a volunteer firefighter for 11 years. He was Chief of the Wilton (CT) Fire Department a full career fire department in Western Connecticut, and as Wilton's Deputy Emergency Management Director. He completed his command in June 2019.

Ron also works as an Adjunct Professor of Fire Science and Emergency Management at the undergraduate and graduate levels primarily at the University of New Haven, and also serves as an adjunct at numerous colleges and universities around the country. He holds a BA in Fire Service Administration and a MS in Fire Protection Management, both from John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City. He also holds a master's degree in Environmental Sciences from the New Jersey Institute of

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Technology. He teaches for the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Maryland as well. Ron has been published over 125 times online and in periodicals such as Industrial Fire Safety and Fire Engineering where he is also a member of the FDIC Educational Advisory Committee. He continues to contribute to Fireengineering.com through his monthly column “Chief Kanterman’s Journal” and hosts a monthly on-line radio show, “The Back Step Boys” with his co-host, Deputy Chief Tom Aurnhammer from Farmington, NM. He worked on staff for the Fire Department Instructor’s Conference (FDIC, FDIC WEST & FDIC EAST) for 9 years. He is the author of a book entitled “Managing Fireworks Displays” published by Delmar in 2008 and was a contributing chapter author for the Fire Engineering/Pennwell Firefighter I & II manual, the new version of the Fire Chief’s Handbook and 6 other fire service text books.

Ron is an advocate for the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation and its programs and works as the Memorial Weekend Incident Commander at the National Memorial Weekend in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

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